(a) To review the performance of the various programmes in the Information and Broadcasting sector, both in physical and financial terms in the Seventh Five Year Plan 1985-90 The reasons for shortfalls, if any should be brought out.

(b) To recommed the physical programmes/schemes to be implemented in the Eighth Five Year Plan 1990—95 and the financial outlays required (including foreign exchange, foreign aid etc.)

(c) To indicate the yearwise phasing of the proposed physical tragets and financial outlays (including foreign exchange/external aid) in the 1990—95 Plan.

(d) Estimates of additional employment generation yearwise.

(e) To indicate the materials and equipment required, and the extent to which they would be available from indigenous sources.

(f) To assess the technological trends in the I&B sector and indicate a strategy for introduction of new technologies in the I&B media.

(g) To estimate the generation of internal resources of AIR and Doordarshan.

(h) To consider the feasibility of setting up a Developmental Communication Support System in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and suggest its linkages with electronic and other media on the one hand and the user Government organisations on the other; also to suggest the quantum of funds to be earmarked by user Government organisation for development communication.

(i) To examine the impact of the policy of the Government to grant autonomy to AIR and Doordarshan on their Eighth Five Year Plan and on torm planning procedures.

(j) To make such other recommendations as may be considered appropriate for the implementation of the Plan.

Setting up of Kutch Development Board

@@2269. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are contemplating to set up Kutch Development Board;

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be set up; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY):(a) to (c) It is primarily for the State Government to decide on th esetting up of development bodies for any region of the State. However, if the reference is to the Development Board under article 371 (2) of the Constitution, no proposal in this regard has been received from the State Government for consideration the Government of India.

रेलगाड़ियों में बढ़ती हुई आपराधिक गतिविधियों को रोकने के लिए योजना बनाया जाना

@@@2270. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह**

अरोड़ा : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार रेलगाड़ियों में बढ़ती हुई आपराधिक

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गतिविधियों को रोकने के लिए कोई योजना बना रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान आपराधिक गतिविधियां लगातार बढ़ती ही जा रही हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो प्रत्येक वर्ष में ऐसी गतिविधियों की संख्या कितनी है और क्या यह भी सच है कि इस प्रकार की गतिविधियां देश के एक विशेष क्षेत्र में ही ज्यादा होती हैं; यदि हां, तो उस क्षेत्र का नाम क्या है और इन गतिविधियों को रोकने के लिए सरकार द्वारा तैयार की गई कार्यवाही योजना का ब्यौरा क्या है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुबोध कान्त सहाय) : (क) से (ग) रेलवे में अपराध को दर्ज करना, उसकी जांच करना, पता लगाना तथा उसकी रोकथाम करना सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस की जिम्मेवारी है, जो राज्य सरकार संघ शासित क्षेत्र प्रशासनों के अधीन कार्य करती है। पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान रेलों में आपराधिक गतिविधियों के बढ़ने के बारे में सरकार के पास कोई सूचना नहीं है। जहां तक रेलों में अपराध का संबंध है, देश के किसी भी विशिष्ट क्षेत्र को पहचान अधिक अपराध वाले क्षेत्र के रूप में नहीं की गयी है।

Vir Savarkar's Participation in Freedom Struggle

2271. SHRIMATI MANORAMA PANDEY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Vir Savarkar had suffered the longest years of imprisonment in the freedom struggle of India;

(b) if so, whether to commemorate the life of this great patriot, Government propose to issue a postal stamp;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Vir Savarkar was an eminent freedom fighter. The Ministry of Home Affairs do not, however, have information whether he had suffered the longest years of imprisonment in the Independence Struggle of India.

(b) to (d) A commemorative stamp has already been issued in honour of Vir Savarkar on 28-5-70.

State Transport Corporations causing road accidents

2272. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Transport Corporations have been identified as the major culprits in causing road accidents all over the country; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by the Central Government to ensure that the State Transport Corporations have a better accident-free record ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) No. Sir, Out of the total number of Road Accidents that occurred during the years 1985 to 1988, the percentage of accidents caused by vehicles plied by the State Transport Undertakings is only around 20% of the total. The following tables gives an over-all picture of the road accidents oc-